



Arkansas Broadband Council

MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 23, 2010

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Meeting was called to order by Chairman Katie Burns at 9:45 a.m. at the offices of the Arkansas Telecommunications Association.

1. Roll call and introduction of visitors

In attendance:

Ed Allis	Larry Frazier
Greg Ashcraft	Joe Molinaro
Dave Burdick	Len Pitcock
Katie Burns	Wendy Wheeler
Maryce Cunningham	James Winningham
Jim Dailey	

Absent:

John Ahlen
Elizabeth Bowles

2. Review minutes from previous meeting

Moved – Jim Dailey
Seconded – Len Pitcock
Minutes were approved.

3. Connect Arkansas update – no report

4. Annual Report Approval

Moved – Dave Burdick
Seconded – Jim Dailey

- Discussion
Final typing errors and word choice discussed.
- Vote
Report was approved with noted corrections.
- Distribution
 - 1) Hard copies will be bound and presented to Governor Beebe's, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, and the staff of the Joint Committee Advanced Communications and Information Technology.
 - 2) Electronic copies will be sent to the members of the Joint Committee and other interested parties.

5. Legislative Committee Update

Committee to consider methods of highlighting and distributing BC's 2010 policy points.

Looking forward

Suggestions for ABC 2010 activities included:

- a. Setting goals for the year.
- b. Scheduling a second Broadband Emersion Day.

- c. Hosting a seminar on the FCC's broadband plan and other issues.
 - d. Presentation of new technologies that will effect broadband availability and distribution.
 - e. ARRA funding – where and why.
 - f. Funding for Connecticut Arkansas
7. Public input to the Council – no input
8. Other matters of business
Wendy Wheeler is resigning from the Council – a Speaker of the House appointment will be requested.

Adjournment –

Moved – Ed Allis

Seconded – Greg Ashcraft

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am.

Submitted by Maryce Cunningham